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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Hiroki MAEDA et al. ✓

Serial No.: 09/477,725 ✓

Filed: January 5, 2000 ✓

For: INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM ✓

Group Art Unit: 1771 ✓

Examiner: T. O'Connor ✓

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified application. The shortened statutory period having expired September 20, 2001, it is hereby requested that the period for response be extended for three months. There is also attached our Check No. 14827 in the amount of \$920.00 in payment for:

- Extension fee for response within first month pursuant to §1.136(a) (\$110.00) [\$55.00].
- Extension fee for response within second month pursuant to §1.136(a) (\$400.00) [\$200.00].
- X Extension fee for response within third month pursuant to §1.136(a) (\$920.00) [\$460.00].

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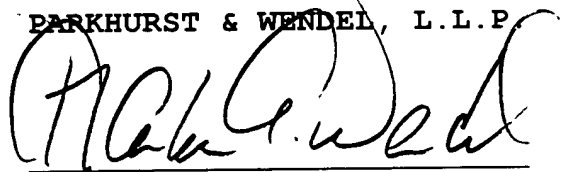
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee (or credit any overpayment) associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 16-0331. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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